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House Resolution 1411

By: Representatives Martin of the 47th, Scott of the 153rd, Kidd of the 141st, and Roberts of the 154th

A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending Chance Veazey and inviting him to be recognized by the
- 2 House of Representatives; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, a Superior Honor Graduate of Tift County High School, Chance Veazey was
- 4 a four-year starting infielder for his high school team and was awarded Best Offensive Player
- 5 and Most Valuable Player for both his junior and senior year; and
- 6 WHEREAS, at the completion of his senior season, Chance had accumulated a .444 batting
- 7 average, a .728 slugging percentage, and a .573 on base percentage, and had earned All
- 8 Region honors all four years and was a four-time All Tift Area recipient; and
- 9 WHEREAS, Chance was a member of 2008 Team Georgia as one of the top 20 Georgia high
- school juniors selected to represent this state during the Sunbelt Classic in Oklahoma, where
- 11 he had the highest batting average and was selected to the All Tournament Team; and
- 12 WHEREAS, on October 26, 2009, as a starting freshman second baseman for the University
- of Georgia, Chance dominated at the plate, going three for four at Foley Field and hitting a
- 14 home run in his last at bat; and
- 15 WHEREAS, on October 28, 2009, Chance was involved in an accident which left him
- paralyzed from the waist down; and
- 17 WHEREAS, throughout Chance's recovery, Head Coach David Perno and Baseball Athletic
- 18 Trainer Mike Dillon have been by his side with visits to the hospital and have provided
- 19 unyielding support for Chance and his family; and
- WHEREAS, a strong bond has developed between Chance and Coach Perno, an unsung hero
- 21 who has demonstrated compassion and kindness, and the University of Georgia has
- 22 generously extended Chance's scholarship from four years to six; and

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23 WHEREAS, Chance will return to Foley Field this season to assist on the Bulldogs' road to

- 24 victory, serving as a radio announcer during games and providing his teammates with
- 25 inspiration and determination to overcome any obstacle; and
- 26 WHEREAS, over the last few months, Chance has demonstrated great courage and faith in
- 27 the face of adversity, and the strength of will and spirit he has shown serves as an example
- 28 to others and is worthy of recognition.
- 29 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 30 the members of this body recognize Chance Veazey for the example of perseverance and
- 31 fortitude he has set for teammates, classmates, friends, and family and invite him to be
- 32 recognized by the House of Representatives at a date and time to be determined by the
- 33 Speaker of the House of Representatives.
- 34 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Chance Veazey.